

# Torrance High School PTA To Sponsor Mariner Troop

By CAROL HUMPHREYS

Ahoy, mates, avast landlubbers, eight bells in the starboard watch. These and other salty terms may soon be the order of the day in several Torrance homes as the local Mariner Troop gets under way. We have long felt the need for a Mariner Troop of Senior Girl Scouts, and such a troop is about to be organized.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Evelyn Neely and her co-leader, Mrs. Jean Griffiths, girls who will soon be of Senior Scout age are being organized into such a group. Already the leaders inform us that they have a full troop which will be composed of Girl Scouts from Troops 416, 472, and 610.

The first objective of the new troop will be to qualify for their swimming certificate, as it is said all good sailors should know how to swim. This will be more fun than work as the girls will take lessons at the Hermosa Biltmore, probably on Saturday mornings. While they are working to get this swimming requirement, they will also participate in amateur dramatics, bone up on good grooming, try their hands at ceramics, and be of some use to the community in civic service.

Since it is essential that every organization have a treasury, they are going to make plans in that direction. Their sponsoring group, Torrance High School

has already promised a substantial donation to the cause. Over and above that there are some pretty fancy ideas afoot, but give us a little more time to work them out and we will let you in on the secret.

Through the help and advice of friends, the leaders are hopeful of securing the use of a boat in order that the girls may have first-hand experience with the handling of boats, and the use of all of their theoretical knowledge. It will surely be fun to learn to tie knots, when the knot is going to be used to hitch your boat to a wharf, and heaven help the girl who does a bad job and sets us adrift.

We are lucky in living close to the ocean and we hope that these Mariners will enjoy all of the opportunities we hope to give them.

The fact that there are enough girls in Torrance to fill one such troop immediately shows that there is need for another troop. It is hoped that the service clubs and school organizations will become interested enough to help in this matter. If you are interested in helping such a worthwhile group get a start, you may call Mrs. Grace Wright at 473-W and she will be glad to give you the necessary information.

RED CROSS EXTENDS EMERGENCY AID TO DISASTER VICTIMS

Red Cross last year spent \$47,240.24 in the Los Angeles Chapter territory for disaster relief. Some 460 victims were aided, including those in the Pico street explosion, and the forest and brush fire in Chatsworth. In the latter disaster—the most serious—a total of \$24,798.95 was spent in emergency and long-term rehabilitation aid.

The United States during 1947 experienced the most destructive series of major disasters in its history. In terms of costs, 1947 was the peak year in Red Cross disaster work for the last decade with more than \$10,000,000 allocated to assist over 300,000 persons.

Food, clothing and medical supplies are rushed to the scene of a catastrophe as part of the Red Cross' program of emergency care, followed by rehabilitation aid which includes extended medical nursing care; rebuilding and repair of homes; provision of needed household furnishings, livestock, tools and equipment for farmers and craftsmen; and reestablishment of small businesses or other gainful occupations for families having insufficient resources to meet disaster-caused needs.

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## CERAMICS SECTION OF YWCA CENTER ENROLLS STUDENTS

The ceramics section of the Torrance YWCA Center is now enrolling students for advanced work.

Under the instruction of Mrs. Edna Rutledge of Wilmington, students will begin immediately to make figurines and lamp bases.

Registrations will be accepted by Mrs. W. E. Walton, section sponsor at Torrance 1460, or Miss Helen Lockwood at Torrance 1356.



REPEAT NUPTIAL VOWS . . . Hal M. McElya, of Dallas and his bride, the former Miss Shirley Saffen of this city, who were united in marriage in a ceremony performed in a Dallas church.

The marriage of Miss Shirley Saffen to Hal M. McElya was solemnized recently in a double ring ceremony performed at the Mocking Bird Lane Church of Christ in Dallas, Tex. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Saffen of Los Angeles and formerly of Torrance, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. McElya, of Dallas.

Harvey Chamberlain gave the bride in marriage. She was gowning in a dress of white brocade satin, fashioned with a fitted bodice and a yoke of imported lace. A ruffle of satin formed a peplum at the waistline. The long sleeves tapered into points at the wrist and were fastened with tiny covered buttons. A coronet of fresh white butterfly orchids caught her veil of bridal illusion. She carried a white Bible, topped with a white orchid and showered with streamers of satin ribbons.

Honor Attendant Wears Pink

Miss Ann Rutherford of Greenville, Tex., as maid of honor wore a pink satin dress with a bolero jacket. She carried a colonial bouquet of pink carnations and asters. Pink camellias formed her headdress. James Berry served the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Sammy Poole, Melton Cruse, Billy Wilkerson and Jimmy Thornhill.

Nuptial music was presented by an a cappella choir.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mrs. Ed Rutherford of Greenville, presided at the punch bowl, and Mrs. Robert V. Pully at the bride's book. Misses Marilyn Cruse, Betty Thomasson and Joyce McMahon, cut the cake.

Following a trip to New Orleans, the couple will live at 4303 Somerville avenue, Dallas.

Mr. McElya is a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School and attended Texas Technological College. He served in the Seabees two years. Mrs. McElya, who was graduated from Torrance High School, will be remembered as a successful contestant in the "Miss Torrance of 1946" campaign.

Couple Is Entertained

Upon their return from New Orleans, Mrs. W. O. Beeman entertained with a twilight tea at her home, 6129 Ellsworth avenue, honoring Mr. and Mrs. McElya.

One hundred guests attended. Meses. W. R. Faulhaber and Charles Childre presided at the silver service. Mrs. John Gross and Miss Geraldine McDonald assisted in the serving.

Receiving the guests were the honorees, the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. McElya, Meses. M. T. Allen and Richard Crump and Archie L. Waldron.

## March Meeting Of W.S.C.S. Set For Next Thursday

The March meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held in the social rooms of the church Thursday, March 11, beginning business meeting at 11 a.m., to be conducted by the president, Mrs. Alice Palmer.

Luncheon to be served at 12:30 in the newly decorated dining room will be prepared by members of Circle No. 1, Mrs. A. H. Box, chairman.

The program at 1:30 will begin with devotions by Mrs. Clyde Ruckman, who is secretary of Spiritual Life in the Pasadena-Long Beach district. Her topic is to be "My Dearest Babies." Wife of Dr. Hobson, who served for six years as superintendent of Long Beach district, of which Torrance is a unit, Mrs. Hobson will be warmly received by the Torrance churchwomen.

All women of the church are cordially invited, especially newcomers to the community.

## Elementary PTA Sets Board Meet, Tells Study Course

The Torrance Elementary PTA executive board meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, March 8, at the school.

Mrs. Elmer S. Moon, president, has announced that interested parents are attending the Correspondence Course in history, organization and leadership being conducted each Thursday at the school auditorium.

The following objects of the Parent-Teachers Association are being stressed in the course:

To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, church and community.

To raise the standards of home life.

To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.

To bring into closer relation the home and the school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the training of the child.

To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for every child the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.

## WALTERIA CIVIC GROUP SPONSORS G. S. TROOP

Walteria Girl Scout Troop No. 57, sponsored by Walteria Civic Organization, has been reactivated with Miss Helen Jones as leader and Miss Nada Skidmore as co-leader.

Troop members are Pat Munyer, Marion and Virginia Crovella, Alice Duerloo, Joyce Michaels, Lenore Young, Georgina Winner, Hettie Yoes, Madeline Goerke, Marlene Spraberry and Ornell Rainwater.

At present the meetings are being held in members' homes.

## 186th Street PTA Is Represented At PTA Council Meet

Representing 186th St. PTA at the Gardena-Wilmington PTA Council Founders Day breakfast held Friday at Gulf Avenue School were the president, Mrs. Leo Wagner, Mrs. Myrtle Ten Eyck, council treasurer and Mrs. Mmes. Tudie Sutherland, Edith Mathews, Leona Bennett, Stella Earley, Evelyn Gauley and Helen Armstrong.

Mrs. Joseph Hook, 10 District president, as guest speaker, introduced Mrs. John A. Garner, of this city, 10 District News-ette chairman.

## Mrs. Bettie Thomas Announces Opening Of Y. Swim Classes

Mrs. Bettie Thomas, athletic director of the Torrance YWCA Center, announces the registration for the spring session of swimming has begun.

The classes held at the Hermosa Biltmore pool are open to women of Torrance, Gardena, Lomita, Harbor City and Pueblo, and include instruction for beginners and advanced students.

Under the instruction of Mrs. Lillian Pincus, the first class in the series will be Thursday, March 4, at 8:30 p.m. Phone Torrance 1356 or 811-W to enroll.

## VFW Auxiliary To Elect Officers At Meeting Monday

Election of officers will mark the regular business meeting of V.F.W. Auxiliary of Post No. 3251, set for Monday evening, March 8 in CIO hall. Mrs. Mabel Waigand, president, asks a full attendance for the meeting, which will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

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## Degree Team In Charge

In anticipation of the official visit of Hazel Shireman, great Pocatontas, the newly-organized degree team of Naomi Council No. 113, Degree of Pocatontas exemplified the degree work at a council meeting as a final drill last week.

The degree team now will be known as the Tee-Pee club of the council. The club has been organized by team members with meetings and practices set the third Wednesday of each month. The club's program will be to raise funds for equipment and traveling expenses, and will devote part time to social activities.

Mark DiRamo was appointed drill captain, and will be assisted by Josephine Cappelle. Anna Cappelle heads the group as president, and Sylvia Van Devander as secretary-treasurer. Other team members are Jean Smith, Daisy Pearson, Mary Pleso, Esther Johnson, Ingrid DiRamo, Mary Stogsdell, Louise Willis, Fay Shubin, Dr. Etta Woods, Mary Conrad, Lillian Castagnola, C. R. Robinson, Elmer Johnson, Everett Stogsdell, Cliff Noel, Richard Woods, Lewis Smith and Cay Ardazil.

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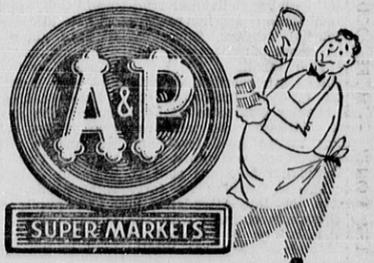
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